

Activity #9: Preparing for a Read Aloud

Read Alouds Section 1 and 2

Planning steps prior to a read aloud could include:

- ☐ Reading the book several times to become familiar with the material
- ☐ Deciding on appropriate dramatization strategies (character voices, action words children can act out, etc.)
- ☐ Deciding how to introduce the book (introduction/overview)
- ☐ Identifying new vocabulary (including both rare words and root words)
- ☐ Preparing open-ended questions for discussion
- ☐ Planning extension activities to reinforce the story (centers, small groups, etc.)
- ☐ Preparing the read aloud chart
- ☐ Using Interactive Read Aloud Supports
- ☐ Determining a purpose for listening to the story
- ☐ Encouraging children to use a comprehension strategy